I'll Be

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Summary: Touga's thoughts during the Black Rose Saga -- a songfic

using Edwin McCain's I'll Be

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AUTHOR's NOTE: Yaa, minna-san! Just a li'l something I wrote before

- >I go back to school this June. Well, as you would see, I am a die-hard
br>Utena-Touga fan-- so for all of you out there who likes Utena with
- >Himemiya or Akio... GO TO... umm... ah, go to another fanfic! Yeah,
br>that's what I was supposed to say. Well, I hope you enjoy reading this.
- >Ja!
br>DISCLAIMER: The characters used in this fanfic are properties of
- >whoever wrote Utena, made the anime, the producers, etc., etc.

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- >I'll Be --- Edwin McCain

- >The strands in your eyes that color them wonderful
>Stop me and steal my breath
- > Touga stops in his path down the corridor only to gaze at
br> Utena walking in the school grounds
- >Emeralds from mountains thrust towards the sky

Never revealing their depth
- > Somebody calls Utena from behind. She turns and greets
br> Akio with one of her warmest smiles.
- >Tell me that we belong together

 Dress it up with the trappings of love
- > Touga's smile melts as he shook his head in regret. He sighed
or and continued on his way, finally deciding to do what he
- > should have done a long time ago.
'I'll be captivated, I'll hang from your lips
- >Instead of the gallows of heartache that hang from above
> Touga warns Utena about the real Akio. Utena nods, saying
- > she already knows but is ready to face him no matter what the
br>cause so that she could free Himemiya.

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I'll Be your cryin' shoulder
- > Touga tells Utena he loves her. She is taken aback by his
br>sincerity.
- >I'll Be love suicide
 He asks if he could be her prince even for just that single
- > night. Utena agrees.

 I'll Be better when I'm older
- > Touga takes her hand and the two of them take a stroll
br> towards the arena.
- >I'll Be the greatest fan of your life

 Touga and Utena sit by a ledge and look up at the stars.
- > Utena, for the first time, leans on Touga, trusting, caring and
obr> understanding.
- >
Rain falls angry on the tin roof
- >As we lie awake in my bed

 Touga challenges Utena to their final duel, hoping to stop
- > her from fighting Akio.
You're My Survival, You're My Living
 Proof
- >My love is alive and not dead
> He fights with all his might, but Utena still defeats him.
- >Tell me that we belong together

 of it up with the trappings of love
- > Utena bid him and Saionji her goodbye. The two watch as
br> she leave to face Akio.
- >I'll be captivated, I'll hang from your lips

 Instead of the gallows of heartache that hang from above
- > Touga turns around, stopping himself from chasing after her
br> -- his hands clenched into fists beside him.
- >
I'll Be your cryin' shoulder
- > Touga looks up the sky and remembers when Utena first
ohtori University.
- >I'll Be love suicide
 He remembers when she arrived at the ball wearing the dress
- > he sent her, and how beautiful she was that night.
dr>I'll Be better when I'm older
- > He remembers when he had once found her inside a coffin
 and gave her the ring she was wearing at present.
- >I'll Be the greatest fan of your life

 He thinks... he should've been her prince. He was the one who
- > was there in the past, not Akio, yet he still chose not to
br>point that out.
- >
>tr>I've dropped out, burned up, fought my way back from the dead
- > Utena begins the duel with Akio. She recalls the night before
she spent with Touga and what a fool she was for not seeing
- > what the real Akio is like.

 Tuned in, turned on, remembered the things you said
- > Akio slashes the rose off Utena's chest. As it fell, Utena fell

as well, looking up at the sky.
- >
I'll Be your cryin' shoulder
- > Touga closes his eyes and whispers, "Farewell, my Utena."
>I'll
Be love suicide
- > Utena sees Touga's face just before she completely
> disappears and smiles.
- >I'll Be better when I'm older

 Touga sits by the porch watching Nanami and Saionji as the
- > two play go-fish, and looks up at the sky again.
'll Be the greatest fan of your life
- > He felt a void in his heart, but immediately puts aside the
br>idea, leaving it in the past as where his heart once belonged
> to a girl who wanted to be a prince. And the girl disappears
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from his thoughts forever...
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